निकट भविष्य में वहां नई हवाई पट्टियों का निर्माण करने का विचार रखती है ;

(ख) यदि हां, तो तत्संबंधी ब्यौरा क्या है ;

(ग) क्या सरकार विद्यमान विमानपत्तनों का दर्जा बढ़ाने का विचार रखती है ; और

(घ) यदि हां, तो तत्संबंधी ब्यौरा क्या है ?

नागर विमानन और पर्यटन मंत्री (श्री गुलाम नबी आजाद) : (क) जी, नहीं ।

(ख) यह प्रश्न नहीं उठता ।

(ग) और (घ) हवाई अड्डों का उन्नयन एक सतत् प्रक्रिया है और इनका उन्नयन यथाप्रक्षित आवश्यकताओं तथा संसाधनों की उपलब्धता के आधार पर चरण-बद्ध रूप से किया जाता है । राष्ट्रीय विमानपत्तन प्राधिकरण ने मध्य प्रदेश में निम्नलिखित हवाई अड्डों को आधुनिक बनाने की योजना है :—

भोपाल : यात्री टर्मीनल भवन और धावन-पथ में सुधार करना ।

इन्दौर : इसे आदर्श हवाई अड्डे के रूप में विकसित किया जा रहा है ।

रायपुर : यात्री टर्मीनल भवन, एप्रन और धावनपथ में सुधार ।

जबलपुर : इसे बोइंग प्रचालनों हेतु उपयुक्त बनाना ।

Loan agreement with OECF, Japan

2511. SHRI SANJAY DALMIA : Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 1411 given in the Rajya Sabha on 4th August, 1994 and state :

(a) the terms and conditions of the agreements entered into with the Overseas Economic Co-operation Fund of Japan for development of infrastructural facilities along the Buddhist Travel Circuits in Uttar Pradesh and Bihar and for the development of Ajanta and Ellora in Maharashtra;

(b) the amount of loan utilised by each State, so far; and

(c) the progress of these projects so far, State-wise ?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD) : (a) The loan amount of 9.244 billion Japanese Yen for U.P. and Bihar project carries interest @2.5% p.a. and is repayable over 20 years with a grace period of 10 years. The loan agreement which was originally upto January, 1994 has been extended by the OECF of Japan upto January, 1997. The OECF loan assistance for the Ajanta and Ellora Project is to the tune of 3745 Million Japanese Yen and is repayable over 20 years with a grace period of 10 years at an interest of 2.6% p.a.

(b) and (c) The OECF loan is not available in advance. The executing agencies have to first incur expenditure from their own budgetary resources and then claim reimbursement from OECF. A calim of Rs. 42.76 crores has been reimbursed/processed by OECF to the States of U.P. and Bihar. The Government of Maharashtra and ASI under Ajanta and Ellora Project have incurred Rs. 52 lakhs and Rs. 24 lakhs respectively. However, they have not made any reimbursement claim to OECF.

The project in U.P. and Bihar is scheduled to be completed by March, 1996 and Ajanta and Ellora by December, 1996.

Procedure for Air India travel agency

2512. SHRIMATI KAMLA SINHA : Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that an Air India agent in New York owing Air India over two lakh dollars has gone bankrupt;

(b) if so, what are the chances of recovery stating the amount since recovered, if and, from the agent; and

(c) what steps have been taken by Government to remove the deficiencies if any, in the procedure/terms and conditions for giving Air India travel agency both within and foreign countries ?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) An amount of US $ 1,00,000 has been recovered from the agent by encashing the Letter of Credit. A legal suit has been filed